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DIRECTORY.

DISTRICT OFFICERS.
 District Judge.....John C. Russell
 District Attorney.....D. M. Turner
 District Clerk.....Louis Kowalski
 District court commences on the first Monday in the months of Feb. and September.

COUNTY OFFICERS.
 County Judge.....E. C. Forto
 County Attorney.....Agustin Celaya
 County Clerk.....Joseph Webb
 Sheriff.....S. A. Brito
 Treasurer.....Celestino Garza
 Assessor.....George Champion
 Collector.....James A. Browne
 Surveyor.....John S. Hord
 Inspector of Hides Casimiro Tamayo

COMMISSIONERS.
 Precinct No. 1—Antonio Vazquez
 Precinct No. 2—Thomas Carson
 Precinct No. 3—Narciso Cantu
 Precinct No. 4—Pablo Perez
 County court meets for civil criminal and probate business on the first Monday in March, June, September and December.

CITY OFFICERS.
 Mayor.....Thomas Carson
 Chief of Police.....James H. Kihan
 Treasurer.....Alfred Thorp
 Secretary.....M. B. Kingsbury
 Attorney.....Frank Feuille
 Surveyor.....S. W. Brooks
 Assessor and Collector J. A. Michel

SCHEDULE.

OF DEPARTURES AND ARRIVALS OF
 MAILS.

DEPARTURE.
 For Alice, Texas, daily at.....6 a. m.
 " Rio Grande City, Monday, Wednesday and Friday at.....6 a. m.
 For Point Isabel, daily at.....9 a. m.
 " Matamoros, Mexico, Except Sunday,.....at 9:30 a. m.

ARRIVALS.
 From Alice, Texas, daily.....at 10 p. m.
 " Rio Grande, Tri-Weekly at 7 a. m.
 " Point Isabel, daily at.....6 p. m.
 " Matamoros Mexico,.....9:30 a. m.

TO CANDIDATES.

Announcements will be published in the HERALD at the following rates: Congressional and senatorial \$15, Representative and District \$10, County officers, \$5, Precinct officers, \$2.50. To insure publication, candidates should always accompany their announcements with the cash.

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

For District Attorney.

WE ARE AUTHORIZED to announce the name of J. I. KILMER as a candidate for election to the office of District Attorney of this, the 28th Judicial District.

LITTLE LOCALS.

Pianos and organs for sale at Mrs. Krause's.
 Mrs. Krause is agent for Ott's Tombstones.
 Our subscribers leaving for the Point can have their paper sent to them if they will notify us.

—Now is the time to insure your property against fire. Wm. Kelly is agent.

—Mrs. Rosa Putegnat spent last night in the city, returning to the Point this morning.

—Deputy Collector Linton, at Point Isabel, was circulating among friends in the city last night.

—Deputy Collector Wren, at Santa Maria, was in town last night returning this morning.

—Mr. F. E. Starck, of San Tom as ranch came in town last evening and left this morning for Point Isabel.

—Capt. J. F. Cummings came up from the Point last Sunday to enjoy a few days of city life. He returned this morning.

—Mr. Benj. Cowen and bride arrived on the M & M. railroad yesterday. They were serenaded by the Aguilares band last night.

—Mr. John F. Hansen, the popular agent, of San Antonio Brewing Association, is off on a trip up the river in the interest of his brewery.

—Yesterday a petition was being circulated in Matamoros by the civil and military authorities, asking for aid for the poor of that city.

—Mr. Jose Fernandez to-day donated \$50 for the drought sufferers in Cameron county, and Mr. Louis Kowalski gave \$5, which now makes a total cash donations of \$1,305.

—It is fortunate for Brownsville that there was no wind last night. If the air had not been so still the damage would have been much greater, as the restaurant is in the middle of a closely built block.

—Fred N. Cowen, clerk of the steamship Bessie, arrived on the M & M railroad yesterday evening. He informs us that the cargo of the Bessie has been shipped to Rio Grande City in carts, and the Bessie is slowly making her way down the river. She will probably reach Edinburg this evening.

—Mr. J. S. McGregor, immigration agent who has been stationed here for the past year, has been transferred to Milwaukee. Mr. McGregor leaves to-morrow morning for Point Isabel, where he will remain until the steamship Clinton sails for Galveston, from which he will proceed to Mt. Pleasant, Iowa, his home. After a few weeks spent with his family in Iowa, he will go straight to Milwaukee to resume duty again. Mr. McGregor, while here made many friends who are loath to give him up, and not one of his many acquaintance here but express regret at his transfer.

Will Go To Chicago.
 To The Herald.

Military companies from the following named places in Texas have been selected to go the World's fair at Chicago: Fort Worth, Abilene, Taylor, Brenham, Palestine, Corsicana, Danison, Weatherford, Austin, Jefferson, Galveston and Denton.

A wire rope has been manufactured at Cardiff, Wales, which is believed to be the longest and largest in the world. It is 2400 fathoms in length, which would make it 2 miles and 108 yards long, taking our measurement as the standard.

A shad, 26 inches long, 3 1/2 inches thick and weighing 9 pounds 4 1/2 ounces was caught in the Hudson river recently at Esopus, N. Y.

A SMALL FIRE. Restaurant Kitchen Destroyed by Flames—Loss Very Light.

An alarm of fire between one and two o'clock last night awakened our citizens from their slumbers, and the streets were soon filled with men hurrying towards the flames which were found to be in the kitchen of the Concolia restaurant on 18th street. The fire department was quickly aroused and Volunteer Company No 1 and the Hook and Ladder company arrived promptly. A stream of water from the river was soon thrown on the building and the flames gotten under control. The kitchen which was a frame building was totally destroyed, but the noble work of our brave fire laddies prevented the fire from spreading any further. The building belongs to Mr. F. Yturria whose loss is variously estimated at from \$200 to \$500. Pasqual Briseño, proprietor of the restaurant, suffered then loss of his kitchen furniture and a few house hold articles which were stolen during the excitement. There are conflicting reports as to the origin of the fire, some claiming that it was caused by the explosion of an oil can, others that it caught from fire in the stove, while others still say it was the work of an incendiary.

Fire Notes
 The first to arrive at the fire were Sheriff Brito, Raphael Galvan, Jose Maria Reyes, and Lieut. Victor Lerma of the police.

Mike Leahy, chief of the fire dept. was specially active in his efforts to put out the fire.

Chas. F. Tilgman had his hand badly burned by taking hold of a hot chain, and afterwards injured the same hand by catching on to the edge of the roof to save himself from falling.

Fred Cowen and Adolph Asheim also had their fingers badly burned, and a Mexican got several fingers broken.

That was a noble leap made by Emile Combe when he found that the ladder had been removed, leaving him on top of the burning building.

Volunteer Fire company, No. 1, has only 500 feet of hose, and is in need of more.

The ten water carts employed by the city for the purpose did good work in hauling water to supply the engine.

It is said some of the burnt fingers were caused by the young men attempting in their zeal to carry out the stove which was will hot.

A Liberal Firm.

The following is self explanatory Mr. C. M. Raphael, Chairman Relief Com. Cameron Co., Tex.

DEAR SIR:—In reply to your inquiry as to the price of corn, I wired Messrs. F. Cannon & Co., Galveston, Texas, whom I have the honor to represent, and am in receipt of the following telegram in answer to mine of even date, to-wit:

GALVESTON, Aug. 3, '92.
 Louis Kowalski,
 Brownsville, Texas.

We have only hundred, white, in store, which we donate to Sufferers' Committee. Give shipping instructions.
 (Signed) F. CANNON & Co.

In connection with the above should it become necessary to have corn for immediate use I will deliver you from stock here the above stated quantity until the arrival of same.
 Very respectfully,
 LOUIS KOWALSKI.

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